



COMING ATTRACTIONS

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Superman and Flash Star in DC Comics Presents #1!

First issues are always a special occasion, but the first issue of DC's latest new title is cause for super celebration!

DC COMICS PRESENTS is the long-awaited Superman team-up book featuring the Man of Steel in book-length action with other characters from the DC universe; the first issue features Superman and The Flash in a thriller by Martin Pasko, Jose Luis Garcia-Lopez and Dan Adkins.

An eerie ray from space threatens to send a quiet town on Earth vibrating into another dimension. The beam, it turns out, is from an alien warship whose commander sends The Flash on a mission through time to insure the success of his agent in a bid to prevent an intergalactic civil war.

But Superman learns that if the agent succeeds, the time-tampering will cause the Man of Steel to cease to exist. So begins a deadly "Chase to the End of Time" upon which depends the very fate of Earth itself.

This incredible 18-page story also features a cameo appearance by a surprise Flash foe.

DC COMICS PRESENTS thus becomes the third regular team-up book in the DC line. DC pioneered the format in 1954 when Superman and Batman began their long series of joint adventures in WORLD'S FINEST #71. Batman began sharing adventures with various DC heroes when he became the lead character in THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD in 1963.

Future team-ups in DC COMICS PRESENTS will include Adam Strange, Black Lightning, Green Lantern, and Hawkman.

~~DC COMICS PRESENTS #1 goes on sale April 4th.~~

EC Great Johnny Craig Returns In Doorway To Nightmare Thriller!

Famed EC artist Johnny Craig illustrates this month's DOORWAY TO NIGHTMARE book-lengther, "Six Claws of the Dragon."

The story, by Catherine B. Andrews and Stuart Hopen, concerns a centuries-old curse that threatens to destroy a modern-day romance. A murder in Chinatown sets young police lieutenant Nick Abrahms on the trail of a long-dead Chinese princess whose mummy holds the key to a long lost treasure.



Craig turns in a masterfully moody job for this, his first work for DC. Jack C. Harris edited the issue and Mike Kaluta did the cover.

DOORWAY TO NIGHTMARE #4 goes on sale April 4th.

Longest Sgt. Rock Epic Ever!

THE SGT. ROCK SPECTACULAR this month presents the longest single Sgt. Rock story in DC history.

This 52-page epic takes a unique approach to war stories by examining a grueling desert battle from both sides. Sgt. Rock and Easy Co., in the early days of the war, come face-to-turret with an unstoppable Nazi Panzer tank and its crew. With their backs against the North African dunes, the intrepid soldiers of Easy Co. find themselves battered by the enemy juggernaut.

Much of the story takes place from the German point of view, as writer Robert Kanigher reveals the thoughts and emotions of the Panzer crew.

Rock and Co. represent the American perspective in this heroic battle which serves as a microcosm of the situation in North Africa during the days of Rommel's rule.

Lee Elias, Ric Estrada, and Romeo Tanghal illustrate the story and Joe Kubert provides the cover; twelve pages of special war features round out the book.

THE SGT. ROCK SPECTACULAR goes on sale April 11th.

Legion Begins Epic Space Battle!

SUPERBOY AND THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES this month begins an epic adventure spanning five issues and 117 pages with "Prologue to Earthwar" by Paul Levitz and James Sherman.

Superboy, Mon-El, Wildfire, and Brainiac 5 head up the cast this issue as the Legion heads into space on a desperate mission to prevent a war between the galaxies!

This intergalactic story embroils the entire Legion, the Substitute Heroes, the Reservists, and a cast of thousands against the allied forces of the Dominators, the Khunds, the Resource Raiders, and other surprise Legion foes in a deadly battle which takes its toll on both sides!

Part One begins in SUPERBOY AND THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #241, on sale April 20th.

Odd Items, Noteworthy News

The JUSTICE LEAGUE must battle "The Fiend with Five Faces" when oceanic gods are freed from their ancient prisons and create havoc on Earth in a story by Gerry Conway, Dick Dillin and Frank McLaughlin...KARATE KID returns to the 30th Century in #15 only to find himself trapped in the alternate future of Kamandi on Earth After Disaster. It's a bizarre tale co-plotted by Bob Rozakis and Jack C. Harris, pencilled by Juan Ortiz and edited by Allen Milgrom...JONAH HEX #14 contains a rapid-fire tale of a Baptist preacher crazed by the loss of his family and congregation in "The Sin Killer" by David Michelinie and Vicente Alcazar...MEN OF WAR #7 is Code Name: Grave-digger's first full-length story, "Milkrun" by Roger McKenzie, Dick Ayers and Romeo Tanghal...The FREEDOM FIGHTERS confront "The Carnival of Death" in #15 when they head into the far reaches of space to rescue three of their members who have been kidnapped by aliens. Script by Bob Rozakis, art by Dick Ayers and Jack Abel...One of the most ominous stories of the Caped Crusader ever told is featured in this month's BATMAN #301 when David V. Reed, John Calnan and Tex Blaisdell reveal the secret of "The Only Man Batman Ever Killed."

"The Super-Sellout of Metropolis" is SUPERMAN himself in issue #325 when the Man of Steel signs a contract with Galaxy Broadcasting's rival network in an action-filled tale by Martin Pasko, Curt Swan and Frank Chiaramonte...THE FLASH, humiliated by the Ringmaster and deserted by his wife, resigns as the Golden Glider continues her behind-the-scenes manipulation in "Nobody Stays the Flash Forever" by Cary Bates, Irv Novick and Frank McLaughlin in THE FLASH #263...Batman and Aquaman slug it out when the Darknight Detective attempts to retrieve sunken evidence to smash a Gotham drug ring in THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD #142 -- the first of a two-part story by Bob Haney and Jim Aparo...BLACK LIGHTING #10 features the mystery of "The Other Black Lightning" by Tony Isabella, Trevor Von Eeden and Vince Colletta...It's the penultimate battle against "Darkseid of Apokolips" as the titanic War of the Gods nears conclusion in NEW GODS #19...Superboy's parents send him into the Phantom Zone in "The Superboy Who Wasn't" by David Michelinie, Joe Staton and Jack Abel in ADVENTURE COMICS #458. Also in this issue -- the conclusion of a thrilling Eclipse adventure by Len Wein, Joe Orlando and Bob Layton.

SUPERMAN FAMILY #190 features a special round-robin story edited by E. Nelson Bridwell entitled "The Museum of Eternity," about an alien race who steals towns for a cosmic culture exhibit in their museum. The Jimmy Olsen segment is by Tom DeFalco and Kurt Schaffenberger, Superman by Gerry Conway and Schaffenberger, Lois Lane by DeFalco and Win Mortimer, Krypto by Bob Toomey and Juan Ortiz, Nightwing and Flamebird by Paul Kupperberg and Ken Landgraf, and Supergirl by Jack C. Harris and Jack Abel...HOUSE OF MYSTERY features "Miracle at San Sebastian" by Roger McKenzie and Noly Panaligan, "Hair Today, Gone Tomorrow," by Barry Jameson and Mike Golden, "Return to Camelot 7" by Steve Clement and Bob Layton, "Do You Believe...?" by newcomers Greg Potter and John Fuller, "Vampiress of Central Park" by Don Glut and Juan Ortiz, plus three more...SHOWCASE #102 continues Hawkman's tryout guest-starring Adam Strange with "Strange Adventures" featuring more classic villains, including the Dust Devils, the Kirri and their Aqua-Ray weapons and the Arvese from "Ray Gun in the Sky." This adventure on Rann is courtesy of Jack C. Harris, Al Milgrom and Murphy Anderson. Cover by Joe Kubert...The Huntress battles the original, criminal Huntress in ALL-STAR #73 by Paul Levitz, Joe Staton and Joe Giella when the Sportsmaster and his villainous wife tackle the Justice Society.

GREEN LANTERN-GREEN ARROW #106 features the murderous return of Sonar, the sonic villain with a deadly new menace in a story by Denny O'Neil, Alex Saviuk and Vince Colletta...The UNKNOWN SOLDIER becomes involved in a devious plot to

assassinate Hitler by Bob Haney, Dick Ayers and Gerry Talaoc in #217, "Dictators Never Sleep"...WONDER WOMAN discovers the dreadful secret of Dr. Selkirk when she has to battle a weather satellite running amok and causing disasters in New York in "Vengeance -- From Ice to Fire" by Jack C. Harris, Jose Delbo and Joe Giella...Finally, Batman confronts his newest and deadliest foe in "The Coming of Clayface III" when Len Wein returns to DETECTIVE COMICS in a story held over from last issue due to deadline difficulties. Art by Marshall Rogers and Dick Giordano in DETECTIVE COMICS #478.

Shipping Information

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF March 14th FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF April 4th:
DC Comics Presents #1 / Doorway to Nightmare #4 / Justice League of America #156 /
Karate Kid #15 / Jonah Hex #14 / Men of War # 7 / Batman #301 / Freedom Fighters #15

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF March 21st FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF April 11th:
The Sgt. Rock Spectacular / Superman #325 / Flash #263 / Brave and Bold #142 /
Black Lightning #10 / Weird War Tales #65 / Weird Western Tales #47 / New Gods #19 /
Adventure Comics #458

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF March 28th FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF April 18th:
Superboy and the Legion of Super-Heroes #241 / Superman Family #190 /
House of Mystery #259 / Showcase #102 / All-Star Comics #73 / Sgt. Rock #318 /
Ghosts #66 / Our Fighting Forces #180

SHIPPING THE WEEK OF April 4th FOR RELEASE THE WEEK OF April 25th:
Green Lantern-Green Arrow #106 / Unknown Soldier #217 / Unexpected #186 /
Action Comics #485 / Witching Hour #82 / Wonder Woman #245 / Detective Comics #478

